Coordinator role is a better fit for Bo Pelini than head coach, Tom Shatel writes. *Sports*

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IMPEACHMENT TRIAL

Trump team says there's no basis to remove him

WASHINGTON (AP) — Senators faced mounting pressure Monday to summon John Bolton to testify at President Donald Trump's impeachment trial even as Trump's lawyers mostly brushed past new allegations from the former national security adviser and focused instead on corruption in Ukraine and historical arguments for acquittal.

John Bolton

Outside the Senate chamber, Republicans grappled with claims in a forthcoming book from Bolton that Trump had wanted to withhold military aid from Ukraine until it helped with investigations into Democratic rival Joe Biden.

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Past aviation accidents and weather shed light on crash

THE WASHINGTON POST

Weather may have played a major role in the helicopter crash that killed basketball legend Kobe Bryant, his daughter Gianna and seven other people Sunday.

Fog and mist in the Calabasas hills northwest of downtown Los Angeles had reduced visibilities, likely obscuring hills.

Attention is focusing on the role played by fog, high terrain and the pilot's use of "special visual flight rules" conditions. Pilots can request them when flying in controlled airspace, if flight by visual cues alone is not possible. Jerry Kidrick, a 35-year Army helicopter veteran who trains others how to fly them, said the copter's rapid ascent and other maneuvers suggest to him that the pilot became confused in the fog. The pilot may have become "spatially disoriented," Kidrick said.

About 15 minutes after the

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Hundreds of private levees meant to protect homes and farmland haven't been fixed, and that could spell trouble

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A pipe and electrical wire stick out of a private levee that washed away on Campanile Road near Venice, Nebraska, and Two Rivers State Recreation Area. "We are in trouble, and nobody seems to be taking any steps to do any repairs," said Rich Tesar, a Papio-NRD board member.

AHEAD OF SPRING FLOOD SEASON, FEARS MOUNT

BY ERIN DUFFY
WORLD-HERALD STAFF WRITER

You could say Ron Keller got lucky, but it doesn't always feel that way.

When the Platte River came roaring through a break in a private levee protecting his property on Campanile Road in western Douglas County last March, his home was spared. But floodwaters still took out his well, damaged his septic tank and carried his propane tank a half-mile away.

"No water, no sewer, no propane," he said. "It's unlivable."

His neighbor took the brunt of the hit. Water caused the foundation of his house to collapse, and it was condemned. Private levee breaches destroyed or damaged numerous cabins and homes on Campanile Road, home to several sandpit lakes near Two Rivers State Recreation Area.

Then Keller got another rude awakening: Fixing the broken levee his house was built on would be entirely his responsibility.

"You assume anything along the river is owned by the (U.S. Army) Corps (of Engineers)," he said. "When I tried to get help, then all of a sudden it's my problem."

Private levees have become a problem for some property owners and public officials.

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Cather Foundation launches public campaign to enhance Red Cloud

The goal is to raise $1.8 million more to restore eight buildings and develop a hotel in the author's hometown

BY PAUL HAMMEL
WORLD-HERALD BUREAU

LINCOLN — The Willa Cather Foundation is making a final push for donations to enhance Cather's hometown of Red Cloud as a literary landmark and destination for "heritage" tourists.

The nonprofit foundation will announce Tuesday that it is seeking to raise $6.5 million to restore and upgrade eight historic buildings related to Cather's novels in Red Cloud, develop a boutique hotel there and amass an endowment to maintain structures owned by the organization.

The Cather Campaign for the Future has already quietly raised 72% of its goal, and Tuesday's announcement launches the public portion of its campaign, to gather the remaining $1.8 million by the

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Willa Cather's childhood home is one of several historic structures in Red Cloud that will be restored and upgraded as part of the campaign.

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Air Force plane crashes

The Taliban says it downed the plane, but the Pentagon doubts that. **Page 4A**

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